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Title: CONTROL DEVICE HAVING A MAGNETIC COMPONENT WITH  
CONVEX SURFACES

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**CITATION OF PRIOR ART UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.501**

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In keeping with the duty of candor and good faith owed to the Patent and Trademark Office, the patent owner, Measurement Systems, Inc., wishes to cite to the file of issued U.S. Patent No. 5,850,142 and to make of record the documents cited below and listed on attached Form PTO-1449 in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.501.

1. Japanese Utility Model No. 58-150234 discloses a non-contact joystick.
2. U.S. Patent No. 5,567,746 generally discloses moldable ferromagnetic particles and the method for making a magnetizable molding.
3. U.S. Patent No. 4,533,827 generally discloses an optical joystick.

At least in view of the foregoing, the undersigned submits that while generally pertinent and applicable to U.S. Patent No. 5,850,142, the cited documents do not expressly or implicitly describe or suggest the subject matter particularly set forth in the claims of U.S. Patent No. 5,850,142.

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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS							
EXAMINER INITIALS	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUB- CLASS	DATE	
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